§ 4907. Duties of board

The said board of governors shall have power to conduct and manage all the business and concerns of the said corporation; to fill, until the next annual election thereafter, any vacancy in the board occasioned by death, resignation, or otherwise; and to appoint such attending and resident physicians and surgeons, agents, assistants, and attendants as may be necessary, to fix their compensation, and to discharge them; to make such by-laws as may be necessary and proper and not contrary to law, relative to elections and meetings, the qualifications and duties of governors and officers, the admission and qualifications of members, the management and disposition of the estate, business, and concerns of the said corporation, and to alter or to amend the same.

(Jan. 30, 1913, ch. 21, §7, 37 Stat. 655.)

§ 4908. Quorum requirement

Five governors shall be a quorum for the transaction of all business, except the sale or alienation of any of the real or personal estate of the said corporation, or the leasing of any real estate thereof for a longer term than one year, for which purposes or any of them the consent of a majority of the said board shall be necessary.

(Jan. 30, 1913, ch. 21, §8, 37 Stat. 655.)

§ 4909. Duration of corporation

This charter shall continue in perpetuity.

(Jan. 30, 1913, ch. 21, §9, 37 Stat. 655; Sept. 19, 1962, Pub. L. 87–673, 76 Stat. 557; Oct. 1, 1965, Pub. L. 89–231, §2, 79 Stat. 901.)

AMENDMENTS

1965—Pub. L. 89–231 struck out before period at end ": *Provided*, That at no time shall said corporation hold real estate except for the necessary use of office and hospital purposes of said hospital", and was executed by striking the quoted material which in the original contained the word "offices" rather than "office".

1962—Pub. L. 87-673 substituted "in perpetuity" for "for the term of fifty years".

§ 4910. Reservation of right to amend or repeal chapter

This chapter shall be subject to alterations, amendment, or repeal.

(Jan. 30, 1913, ch. 21, §10, 37 Stat. 655.)

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§ 5001. Recognition as corporation and grant of Federal charter

The Military Order of the World Wars, a non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the District of Columbia, is recognized as such and is granted a Federal charter.

(Pub. L. 102–484, div. A, title XVIII, §1801, Oct. 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 2581.)

§ 5002. Powers of corporation

The Military Order of the World Wars (in this chapter referred to as the "corporation") shall have only those powers granted to it through its bylaws and articles of incorporation filed in the State in which it is incorporated and subject to the laws of such State.

(Pub. L. 102–484, div. A, title XVIII, §1802, Oct. 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 2581.)

§ 5003. Objects and purposes of corporation

The objects and purposes of the corporation are those provided in its bylaws and articles of incorporation and shall include the following:

- (1) Promoting military service associations.
- (2) Promoting patriotic education and military, naval, and air science.
- (3) Defending the honor and integrity of the Federal Government and the Constitution.
- (4) Fostering fraternal relations among all branches of the Armed Forces.
- (5) Encouraging the adoption of a suitable policy of national security.
- (6) Encouraging the commemoration of military service and the establishment of war memorials

(Pub. L. 102–484, div. A, title XVIII, §1803, Oct. 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 2582.)

§ 5004. Service of process

With respect to service of process, the corporation shall comply with the laws of the State in which it is incorporated and those States in which it carries on its activities in furtherance of its corporate purposes.

(Pub. L. 102–484, div. A, title XVIII, §1804, Oct. 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 2582.)

§ 5005. Membership

Except as provided in section 5008 of this title, eligibility for membership in the corporation and the rights and privileges of members of the corporation shall be as provided in the articles of incorporation and bylaws of the corporation.

(Pub. L. 102–484, div. A, title XVIII, §1805, Oct. 23, 1992, 106 Stat. 2582.)

§ 5006. Board of directors

Except as provided in section 5008 of this title, the composition of the board of directors of the